IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of:

FURTEK et al.

Serial No.: 10/719,409

Filed:

November 22, 2003

For:

INPUT/OUTPUT

CONTROLLER NODE IN AN ADAPTABLE COMPUTING **ENVIRONMENT**

Confirmation No.: 3361

Group Art Unit: 2182

Examiner: Scott C. Sun

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 8, 2008

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 8, 2008, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on March 8, 2009, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Although Applicant believes that no additional fees are due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/NVDA/P002849/JCC for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper. **Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.